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In the Application of:

Bianchi, John R., *et al.*

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REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.114

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Sir:

In response to the Official Action of 07/23/04 finally rejecting all claims, for which a response was due 10/23/04, now extended three months to 01/23/05, a first month having already been paid, Applicant Request Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114. As part of Applicants' RCE, Applicants request entry of the amendments and arguments provided in the Applicants' Request for Reconsideration under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 filed 10/29/04.

Applicants cofile a Submission of Corrected Drawings in response to an Advisory Action dated 01/04/05.

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Respectfully submitted,

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